

LABOR SERVICES DIVISION[875]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 89A.3, the Elevator Safety Board hereby amends Chapter 72, “Conveyances Installed On or After January 1, 1975,” Iowa Administrative Code.

In 2002, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers removed from the Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators a long-standing requirement that automatic passenger elevators be equipped with an alarm bell. In the past year, a very small number of elevators have been installed without an alarm bell. The new rule requires an alarm bell for all automatic passenger elevators installed since 1975. The Elevator Safety Board has determined that an alarm bell is an important, cost-effective safety feature, especially in the event the telephone on the elevator car does not work.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the May 29, 2013, Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 0753C**. No public comment was received on the proposed amendment. This amendment is identical to that published under Notice of Intended Action.

The purposes of this amendment are to protect the health and safety of the public and implement legislative intent.

No variance procedures are included in this rule. Applicable variance procedures are set forth in 875—Chapter 66.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs will occur.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 89A.

This amendment shall become effective on September 25, 2013.

The following amendment is adopted.

Adopt the following new rule 875—72.25(89A):

875—72.25(89A) Alarm bell. An automatic passenger elevator shall be provided with an alarm bell that is activated by a switch marked “ALARM” located in or adjacent to the car operating panel. The alarm bell shall be audible inside the car and outside the hoistway.

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